

Concordia Lutheran School

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in academics to our children
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EAGLE BANNER

January 3, 2024

IMPORTANT DATES

Wed. January 3

- All School Chapel
- Grilled Ham & Cheese
- Chess Club, 4:15 – 5 p.m.
- Basketball Practices
 - A-Boys, 4 – 5:30 p.m.
 - B-Girls, 5:30 – 7 p.m.

Thurs. January 4

- Alfredo Pasta Bake
- \$2 Pajama Day
- Cheer Practice, 4 – 6 p.m.

Fri. January 5

- Munchable
- KHC Kick Off
- School Colors
- Cheer Practice, 4 – 6 p.m.

Mon. January 8

- Pizza Dippers
- Marriage/Family Sex Education Week
- Cans for Classrooms dop off week
- Open Zoom School Board Meeting 6 p.m.
- Basketball Practices
 - B-Boys, 4 – 5:30 p.m.
 - B-Girls, 5:30 – 7 p.m.

Tues. January 9

- Hot Dog Tuesday
- T-Shirt Tuesday
- Away Basketball games @RCS

Virtual Open School Board Meeting

Mon. Jan 8, 6:00 p.m.
A link will be emailed this week!

ONLINE REGISTRATION FOR THE 2024-25 SCHOOL YEAR

On **January 15th** families currently enrolled in the school can reapply. This provides you with two weeks of lead time to register your children before enrollment opens to new families. All families must complete this online process and are asked to do it promptly. **More information on "how to" will be sent the week of January 8th.**

MARRIAGE & FAMILY/SEX EDUCATION WEEK

As in past years, the faculty will be teaching a brief unit on "A Christian's View of Sex" to students in grades K-8. A letter will be emailed this week with more information. Teaching materials are available for your review. You may contact your child's teacher to request an opportunity to look at materials.

TAX DEDUCTIONS

Did you know that you can deduct up to \$4,000 dollars of your tuition per K-8th grade student? Or are you looking to deduct childcare from your 2023 taxes? Please let the office know if you need a letter stating the amount you paid for either or both above categories.

CAN COLLECTION WEEK

Are you ready to clear out some of those cans you collected over the holidays? We will gladly accept your **donations NEXT WEEK (Jan. 8th – 12th)**. Thanks for continuing to save them for us!

SECOND QUARTER ENDING

The second quarter will end on **Friday, January 12th**. It is vital that students that have been absent submit all the missed work and are current on their assignments prior to this date. **REPORT CARDS will be issued on Weds, Jan. 17th** to students whose financial accounts are current – this includes payments due for childcare and other incidentals.

CHRISTMAS LIGHT THANKS

THANK YOU to all the families who participated in the viewing the Christmas Carnival of lights on all the dates. We earned a total of \$77.50!!! Thank you for continuing to support our Parent Teacher League activities and our school.

ROCKY ROCCO'S NIGHT THANKS

A huge THANK YOU to all the families who participated in the Rocky Rocco Night on December 11, 2023. We earned a total of \$112.71!!! Thank you for continuing to support our Parent Teacher League and school.

\$2 PAJAMA DAYS RETURN

Thanks for your support of this 8th grade fundraiser during November! We will again provide this opportunity on Thursdays during the month of January. Let's enjoy this while we can! After January, PJs will not come back again until March (as a PTL fundraiser).

SAVE THE DATE & DRESS THE PART

Our annual **Kids Heart Challenge** will kick off this Friday, January 5th. Your child is encouraged to wear RED or a Kids Heart Challenge t-shirt to the kickoff assembly. Watch for materials going home on Friday! In the meantime, you can get started by using our school link to get registered!

Here you go:

<http://www2.heart.org/goto/ConcordiaLutheranSchoolSturtevantWI>

GOING ABOVE & BEYOND

The area of academic emphasis for the month of December was **Music**. The following student, thus far, is to be commended for going above and beyond: Colton Foulk. Congratulations, Colton!

January's challenge is to go "above & beyond" in **Written Expression**. Your teacher will share (or has provided) information on how your child can do this. Go for it!

LEGO CLUB CONTINUES & 4TH – 8TH ADDED!

The next session for kindergarten through 3rd grade will begin on Tuesday, January 16th. Those individuals that were on the waiting list provided will be able to attend. We will contact those families as a reminder after school resumes in January. ALSO... a **session for grades 4 – 8** is being added! Grades 4 – 8 will be held on Wednesdays beginning January 17. **Watch for a link to sign up coming this Friday!** **Donations of Classic Legos are needed** since we will be running this club AND the K-3 group at the same time. If you can help, we'd appreciate it!

KEEPING OUR FAMILIES IN PRAYER

As part of our family, you are in our thoughts and prayers. We will be including you in our prayers throughout the year, here in school and at our churches. Please join us in lifting up the following families and their children, along with members of our staff, in your prayers: **Kannenberg (Drake), Kaprelian (Logan), Kincade (Cam, Cort), Kleimola (Penelope, Weston), Koll (Andee, Jacob, John), Konicek (Erik), Kosterman (Cole, Zac), Kovach (Jaxon), Mrs. Klein (Principal), Mrs. Knoch (1st grade aide), and Mrs. Kosterman (Preschool Teacher).**

PREPARE YOUR CHILD FOR RECESS

Unless the windchill factor is below zero, students will be heading outdoors for recess. Please be sure your child comes with a winter coat, hat, gloves/mittens, and boots. Snow pants will also be needed to play on the snow.

POSITIVE OFFICE REFERRALS

It is important to us to let you and your child know when positive choices and acts of kindness are noted. That is what our Positive Office Referrals are all about! Congratulations to the following student, **Riely Neumiller**, for letting her light shine for Jesus and his people. We are so proud of your accomplishment!

SCHOOL CLOSING INFORMATION

Please be advised that in the event of inclement weather that requires school to close, **Concordia will provide notification to parents/guardians by email, Dojo, and via the local news. For up-to-date information on closings, tune to Channel 4, Fox 6, or Channel 12.** Typically, notifications are released before 6:00 a.m. Please keep in mind that *if RUSD is closed or goes to a 2-hour delay, Concordia will be closed.* Also note, the Before/After School Programs will NOT operate on days school is closed. If we are in school and conditions warrant early dismissal, you will be notified by phone or email.

THIS WE BELIEVE...

We continue to share our Christian beliefs as found in the Bible and Luther's Small Catechism. Our last newsletter covered The Seventh Commandment. We'll continue with another which *pertain to love for our neighbor*. Let's look at The Eighth Commandment and what it means to us and God's will for us in our lives.

The Eighth Commandment – You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor. What does this mean? We should fear and love God so that we do not tell lies about our neighbor, betray him, slander him, or hurt his reputation, but defend him, speak well of him, and explain everything in the kindest way.

God commands us to speak truthfully and charitably about our neighbors so that others view them in the best possible light. A good name or reputation is important so that each of us may enjoy the respect and trust of others. We should not speak falsely about our neighbor in everyday life or in a court of law, betray our neighbor by making public their private faults or secrets, rush to judgement, complain about or spread rumors about them. Instead, we should speak constructively about others, draw attention to our neighbors' good qualities and deeds, and seek to understand our neighbors' actions in the most positive light and explain them in the kindest way.

SPREAD THE WORD!

Concordia will host an **Open House** for prospective families on **Sunday, January 21st from 12 – 2 p.m.** Please share this information with others! New families are also welcome to set up a tour during the school day by contacting the school office (262-884-0991).

WORSHIP WITH US!

Come, celebrate Epiphany with us, and join friends and family from school at one of these worship services.

Saturday, 01/06 @ Faith – 4 p.m.

Saturday, 01/06 @ Pentecost – 5 p.m.

Sunday, 01/07 @ Pentecost – 8:30 a.m.

Sunday, 01/07 @ Faith – 9:00 a.m.

Sunday, 01/07 @ Holy Cross – 10:00 a.m.

CHAPEL SERVICES AND OFFERINGS

January and February offerings will be directed to the South Wisconsin District's Hearts for Jesus project: A Place of Refuge. Next week we will have a church leader from A Place of Refuge visit to share more about the work our offerings will do. Today we raised **\$24.00**. A goal of **\$600.00** has been set to help this ministry.

TODAY'S VERSE TO REMEMBER

¹¹For the grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation for all people, ¹²training us to renounce ungodliness and worldly passions, and to live self-controlled, upright, and godly lives in the present age,

~ Titus 2: 11-12

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

"Your success and happiness lie in you. Resolve to keep happy, and your joy shall form an invincible host against difficulties."

~ Hellen Keller

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CLS ATHLETICS NEWS & NOTES

Boys' Basketball practice:

Week of January 3rd – 5th

Wednesday, A-Squad 4 – 5:30 p.m.

Girls' Basketball Practice:

Week of January 3rd – 5th

Wednesday, 5:30 – 7 p.m.

Cheerleading practice:

Week of January 3rd – 5th

Thursday, 4- 6 p.m.

Friday, 4 – 6 p.m.

Up-coming Basketball Games:

January 9th

@ Racine Christian

January 16th

Home vs. Trinity

B Girls 5 p.m.

B Boys 6 p.m.

A Boys 7 p.m.

January 23rd

@ St. John's Lutheran

Boys Teams Only

January 30th

Home vs. Christian Life

B Girls 5 p.m.

B Boys 6 p.m.

A Boys 7 p.m.

RACINE LUTHERAN HIGH NEWS FOR YOU!



The poster features an aerial view of the school building at the top. Below it is a circular logo with a cross and the text "CELEBRATING 1944 2024 80 Years". The main text reads "RACINE LUTHERAN HIGH SCHOOL" and "OPEN HOUSE" in large, bold letters. At the bottom, it says "MONDAY, JANUARY 29 5PM - 7PM" and "251 Luedtke Ave." with the note "Drop in event - no registration needed!"